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SUBJECT: REGIONAL RESOURCE OFFICER POSITION

REF: BRASILIA 8610; STATE 245655

1. DEPARTMENT'S 245655 WAS IN ERROR IN LISTING ARGENTINA AS PART OF REGION ASSIGNED TO RIO REGIONAL RESOURCE OFFICER RATHER THAN AS PART OF LA PAZ OFFICER'S REGION (WHICH ALSO INCLUDES CHILE, BUT NOT PERU).

2. DEPARTMENT'S INTENT IN REGIONAL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE REGIONAL RATHER THAN SOLELY NATIONAL COVERAGE OF RESOURCES ISSUES BY SMALL CADRE OF SPECIALIZED OFFICERS. DURING INITIAL STUDY OF RESOURCE PROGRAM CONCEPT, THE PRIORITIES POLICY GROUP SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED BRAZIL TO BE AN AREA WHERE A WELL-TRAINED REGIONAL ATTACHE COULD (1)
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COVER MINERALS AND PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENTS IN BRAZIL, (2) REPORT REGULARLY ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENTS, AND (3) PROVIDE EXPERTISE AND ADVICE TO EMBASSIES IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES ON PRIORITY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. HOWEVER, POST'S FURTHER VIEWS WOULD BE WELCOMED ON WHICH OTHER COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES MIGHT BE INCLUDED IN RIO REGION OR, ALTERNATIVELY, JUSTIFICATION FOR EXEMPTING RIO FROM NORMAL REGIONAL RESOURCE

OFFICER PATTERN OF MULTI-COUNTRY RESPONSIBILITIES.

3. FOR GENERAL INFORMATION OF POST, PRINCIPAL DUTIES OF REGIONAL RESOURCE OFFICER ARE AS FOLLOWS: OFFICER IS CHARGED WITH COLLECTING BROAD RANGE OF INFORMATION AND DATA ON COMMODITIES RELATING TO ASSIGNED REGION AND REPORTING ON IT IN TIMELY AND ANALYTICAL FASHION. WORK IS SUPPOSED TO BE BASED BOTH ON DIRECT OBSERVATION AND ON CONTACTS WITH KEY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND PRIVATE SECTOR LEADERS WITHIN EACH COUNTRY OF DESIGNATED REGION. OFFICER ALSO CHARGED WITH ASSISTING POSTS IN REGION TO DEVELOP AND EVALUATE INFORMATION ON MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESERVES AND PRODUCTION, AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING THEM ON TECHNICAL AND OTHER ASPECTS OF WASHINGTON REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. IN THIS CONNECTION, OFFICER EXPECTED TO STRESS DEPARTMENT'S NEED FOR INFORMATION ON OTHER GOVERNMENTS' ATTITUDES TOWARD COMMODITY ARRANGEMENTS AND ON POLITICAL-ECONOMIC FACTORS SHAPING THOSE ATTITUDES.
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